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ESS IMPROVES AND EXPANDS

The DWA's Electronic Sanitary Survey software has been greatly improved over the past year and has been implemented in the field by a number of states. Enhancements include greater reliability and flexibility, as well as compatibility with SDWIS/ State. For more information, see the June 2005 issue of the Electronic Sanitary Survey Project Bulletin (www.epa.gov/safewater/ dwa/bulletin.html). To download the ESS, go to http://12.170.50.10/Downloads/SanitarySurvey/.

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DWA PRESENTS NEW TRAINING COURSE

The Drinking Water Academy has developed a new course, specifically for Web conferences, to help prepare state drinking water compliance program staff: An Introduction to Compliance Activities—The Basics of Operating a Safe Drinking Water Act Compliance Program. The course will be presented on July 19, 2005.

This introductory course will be most helpful for new or inexperienced personnel. It should also be very useful for state agencies that are in the process of starting new safe drinking water programs (e.g., tribes or territories) or upgrading their existing compliance programs.

The course will introduce students to every aspect of a compliance program, from identifying the regulated community, to assessing compliance to initiating enforcement responses. It will provide a practical guide to the day-to-day operation of a typical safe drinking water compliance program that will

answer the questions every new employee is bound to ask about how the program operates to safeguard the health of public water supply users.

The course will be a combination of lecture-style presentation slides to provide an overview of the topics and discussion scenarios presented to the participants. Handouts will supplement the overview with considerable additional detail on communication issues.

To register for the course, go to www.epa.gov/safewater/dwa/register.html and click on the registration link.

NEW STAFF JOIN THE DWA

The DWA bid farewell to Mario Salazar, who retired in January 2005 after 26 ½ years of government service. Mario's contributions were so enormous that he's being replaced by two people: Joe Lewis and Maria Lopez Carbo.

Joe Lewis has been in OGWDW for 4 years. He's in the Infrastructure Branch, where he works on the SDWIS modernization project. Joe also publishes a weekly SDWIS modernization newsletter and the monthly Information Management Branch (IMB) Update, a newsletter that is posted to the OGWDW Web site. Joe will be taking the lead on DWA Web site issues. He can be reached at (202) 564-4624 or lewis.joe@epa.gov.

Maria Lopez Carbo has been in OGWDW for 8 months. She's in the Protection Branch, where she works with the microbial/disinfection byproducts rules. Maria will take the lead on the DWA's Spanish training materials and activities. She can be reached at (202) 564-4618 or lopez-carbo.maria@epa.gov.

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DWA WEB CONFERENCE REGISTRATION SIMPLIFIED

Registration for DWAsponsored Web conferences is now available through the DWA Web site.

The calendar page (http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwa/calendar.html) lists all Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water training and specifies which ones have online registration. You also can go directly to the registration page (http://www.epa.gov/safe-water/dwa/register.html). That page includes some important information about obtaining assistance prior to and during a Web conference:

When you register, please take the time to use the diagnostic tool on the Registration Page prior to the Web conference. This

will help you to identify any technical problems with your computer or firewall that may prevent you from accessing the Web conference.

- If you register, but do not receive a confirmation, send an e-mail to Drinking-WaterAcademy@cadmusgroup.com for assistance. It's likely that your spam blocker is preventing the confirmation from being delivered to your inbox.
- If you experience technical difficulties accessing the Meeting Page during a Web conference, please contact Encounter Customer Care for assistance. If you are connected to the toll-free meeting line, hit *0 and a

Customer Care representative will help you. Otherwise, you can call (800) 290-5900, then press 1 to speak with a Customer Care representative.

DRINKING WATER IMPLEMENTATION WEB CONFERENCE SERIES

The Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water is hosting a series of drinking water implementation Web conferences. They will be held on the last Wednesday of every month from 2:00 - 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time.

Some sessions target state regulators and technical assistance providers, while others are geared toward water system staff. Topics for these Web conferences include promulgated rules and

nonregulatory topics such as capacity development. All the Web conferences are available at no charge, but registration is limited.

EPA sends registration information to designated state administrators prior to each Web conference. State administrators coordinate the sharing of Web conference connections within each state. For more information on this series of Web conferences please contact webconferenceinfo@cadmusgroup.com.

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Topics covered so far have been the Total Coliform Rule – The Basics and Implementation Issues, the Stage 1 Disinfection/Disinfectants Byproduct Rule, and the Consumer Confidence Reporting Rule. Copies of the training materials and question-and-answer documents derived from the questions submitted during the Web conferences are available on the DWA Web site. Upcoming topics include:

- Surface Water Treatment Rules, June 29
- Pata Verification, July 27

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Course Title	Audience	Schedule	Location	Contact
Sanitary Survey Training	Sanitary survey inspectors	June 21 – 24, 2005	Boulder, CO	Bill Davis (214) 665-7526 davis.williamh@epa.gov
Introduction to the Underground Injection Control Program	State UIC staff	June 22, 2005	Web conference	Drinking Water Academy dwaweb.conference@epa.gov
Security Risk Communication	State drinking water staff	June 28 & 29, 2005	Richmond, VA	Mark Anderson (804) 864-7514 markc.anderson@vdh.virginia.go
Surface Water Treatment Rule/ Long Term 1 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule	State drinking water staff	June 29, 2005	Web conference	Ed Moriarty (202) 564-3864 moriarty.edward@epa.gov
Arsenic Treatment Technology	State drinking water staff, design engineers, system owners, and certified operators	July 11 & 12, 2005	Redlands, CA	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Arsenic Treatment Technology	State drinking water staff, design engineers, system owners, and certified operators	July 13 & 14, 2005	Everett, WA	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Introduction to Compliance Activities	New and inexperienced drinking water compliance staff	July 19, 2005	Web conference	Jamie Bourne (202) 564-4095 bourne.james@epa.gov
Arsenic Treatment Technology	State drinking water staff, design engineers, system owners, and certified operators	July 25 & 26, 2005	Green Bay, WI	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Security Risk Communication	Texas drinking water staff with communications responsibilities	July 26 & 27, 2005	Austin, TX	Debra Cerda (512) 239-6945 dcerda@tceq.state.tx.us
Arsenic Treatment Technology	State drinking water staff, design engineers, system owners, and certified operators	July 27 & 28, 2005	Lapeer, MI	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Data Verification	State drinking water staff	July 27, 2005	Web conference	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Phase II/V Chemicals	State drinking water staff	Aug. 31, 2005	Web conference	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Sustainable Systems/Capacity Development	State drinking water staff	Sept. 28, 2005	Web conference	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Public Notification Rule Training	State drinking water staff	Oct. 26, 2005	Web conference	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov
Lead and Copper Rule Training	State drinking water staff	Nov. 30, 2005	Web conference	Jennifer Moller (202) 564-3891 moller.jennifer@epa.gov

DWA courses may be presented as requested. See the course catalog on the DWA Web site for more information (www.epa.gov/safewater/dwa/course.html).